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For EXTRACELLULAR NOVEL RAGE BINDING PROTEIN
(EN-RAGE) AND USES THEREOF



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Sir:

**AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO DECEMBER 15, 1999 COMMUNICATION FROM
EXAMINER REGARDING SEQUENCE DISCLOSURE**

This Amendment is submitted in response to a Communication issued on December 15, 1999 in connection with the above-identified patent application by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. A response to the December 15, 1999 Communication is due January 15, 2000. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the specification:

On page 12, line 11, after "-T" please change "6" to --5--.

Sequence Listing

The Examiner indicated that the computer readable form (CRF) previously submitted on November 10, 1999 could not be processed for the reasons set forth on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report (attached hereto as **Exhibit A**).

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